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Sequel to my laſt, publiſhed the 11th Inſtant, of the Hiſtory of falſe Patriotiſm in the Commonwealth of Carthage.

WHEN *Hannibal* had thus gained firm footing in *Italy*, he diſpatched his Brother *Mago* to *Carthage*, and with him ſent a Part of his Spoils. The Intent of his Journey was to give the *Carthaginians* a Detail of *Hannibal*'s Tranſactions, to point out the Advantages which might be drawn from the preſent Situation of their Affairs, and to receive their Inſtructions and Commands. In Diſcharge of this weighty Commiſſion, *Mago* ſhewed a Prudence becoming the great Family from which he was deſcended. When he arrived at *Carthage*, he acquainted the Senate that *Hannibal* had gained ſix Field Battles againſt the *Romans*; in four of which he had beaten their Conſuls; in the other two a Dictator, and a Maſter of the Horſe: That he had ſlain above Two Hundred Thouſand Men; amongſt them two Conſuls; that he had made Priſoners more than Fifty Thouſand Men; that many of the *Italian* Nations had deſerted the *Romans* and embraced the Intereſt of the *Carthaginians*, and that the General held his head Quarters in *Capua*, the firſt City in *Italy*, *Rome* only excepted. To confirm all that he had ſaid, *Mago* directed a Buſhel of Gold Rings, the Ornaments of the *Roman* Knights, which had been collected from the Field of *Cannæ*, to be poured out in the Porch of the Senate Houſe. This done, he explained himſelf on the Cauſes which moved his Brother to demand Supplies of all Kinds for the finiſhing of the War. Firſt, He inſiſted on the *mighty* Things already performed, which of courſe had not been accompliſhed without the Loſs of a great Number of Men, and had almoſt totally exhauſted the military Stores. Secondly, He obſerved that *Hannibal* was ſtill in an Enemy's Country, and in the Country of ſuch an Enemy as would never ceaſe, while they had any Strength left, to endeavour the Recovery of what they had loſt. Thirdly, He ſhewed how imprudent, and even how dangerous it might prove to deal hardly with their own Allies; and, after all, how unequal an Army, compoſed of new raiſed *Italian* Soldiers would be found, if oppoſed to the *Roman* Legions. From theſe Premiſes, he concluded that a large Supply ſhould be voted, and alſo ſpeedily ſent into *Spain* and *Italy*, that the Fruits of ſo many Victories might not be loſt, but that *Carthage* might effectually ſecure herſelf from any future Attempts of her implacable Rival.

HANNO being called upon to ſpeak his Opinion, delivered, under the artful Dreſs of a mild and healing Oration, the moſt ſevere and malicious Inſinuations againſt the *Barcine* Family, and thoſe who were for puſhing the War to the utmoſt. He obſerved that the *Romans* were a very firm and ſteady People, that they had ſtill great Reſources, and that the Fortune of War was ever various. He noted it, as a Sort of Contradiction, that Conquerors ſhould demand Supplies; he intimated, that *Hannibal* might well deſire the Continuance of the War, ſince he loved to be ſurrounded by an Army, to waſte a conquer'd Country, and to give Laws to liſtening Nations; but that it might be doubted, whether a Man, who lived thus Abroad, would be contented to live like a Subject at Home. He put them in Mind, that the *Carthaginian* Affairs were never in better Order than a little before his Defeat at Sea, which ſo cruelly diſturbed them. From all this he inferred, that Tranquility was preferable to Diſturbance, and that it would bear the Face of Diſintereſtedneſs and Moderation, if, after ſome Advantages gained, *Carthage* ſhould ſue to *Rome* for Peace. *Livy* greatly Applauds this Oration, and the Man who made it; but at that Time of Day the *Carthaginians* had no Reliſh for his Politicks, nor could conceive why they ſhould be as ſubmiſſive when they beat, as when they were beaten, eſpecially to a Republick younger than themſelves, which had flouriſhed under their Auſpice, and at laſt moſt ingratefully betray'd an invincible Averſion towards her antient Allies. A vaſt Supply therefore of Elephants, Men, and Money, were chearfully voted; but the Arts of *Hanno*, and his Faction, prevented their being ſent in any Time; they knew the Foible of their Countrymen was Parſimony, and on this they wrote ſo ſtrongly, that under Colour of ſaving the publick Money, they expoſed the Publick to prevent Shame and future Diſtreſs.

THE only Stain on *Hannibal*'s Conduct hath been his long Stay at *Capua*, and his ſuffering his Army to indulge themſelves in Eaſe and Luxury, while they continued in Quarters there. But if it be conſidered, that this Cenſure hath been taken from the *Roman* Hiſtorians open, and I am ſorry to ſay, very partial Enemies to *Hanibal* and his Reputation, it will not appear of very great Weight. But whoever Reflects, that theſe very Hiſtorians acknowledge the Army of *Hannibal* to have received ſome Checks before he allowed them this Repoſe, will plainly perceive, that he acted from wiſe and ſolid Motives. His Deſign was to have eſtabliſhed the Power of the *Carthaginians* in that Part of *Italy*, at leaſt, as effectually as he had done in *Spain*. *Capua* he intended for the Metropolis of his Conqueſts, and for this Cauſe he choſe to reſide there ſo long, that by ingratiating himſelf with the Inhabitants, he might fix their Fidelity to the *Carthaginians*, a thing he ſo far effected, that many of their Nobility, after ſuſtaining a long Siege, poyſon'd themſelves to avoid returning again under the Dominion of the *Romans*. That after this Time, the *Carthaginian* Affairs declined is certain; but, it is as certain, that the Reaſon why they did not run much faſter to Ruin, was the Virtue and Diligence of the *Barcine* Houſe. *Aſdrubal*, the Brother of *Hannibal*, after performing Things worthy of eternal Memory in *Spain*, marching into *Italy* to join *Hannibal* with the Recruits, ſparingly afforded him from *Carthage*, was, after a hard fought-Battle, defeated and ſlain by the *Romans*. Yet did not this hinder *Mago* from ſpiriting up the *Gauls* and other Strangers to rekindle the War in *Italy*, and to give new Terror to *Rome*. *Hannibal* himſelf came alſo in Sight of that proud City, gain'd more than one Victory over her beſt Generals, and ſlew Marcellus, who had been ſtiled the Sword, as *Fabius* was the Buckler, of *Rome*. At length, when through the Artifices of *Hanno* and his Faction, the *Romans* had Time given them to reſtore their Affairs, as well as to recover their Spirits, *Scipio*, after the Reduction of *Spain* and *Sicily*, paſſed over into *Africk*, and having defeated ſuch Captains as the predominant Party had made Choice of, threatened *Carthage* herſelf; upon which *Mago* and *Hannibal* were recalled, after they had for Sixteen Years maintained the War with the higheſt Reputation in *Italy*.

WHEN the Commands of the Senate and People of *Carthage* were ſignified to *Mago*, who lay then ſick of his mortal Wound, he ſaid he was well pleaſed that his laſt Moments would be ſpent in ſhewing his Obedience to his Country. It was otherwiſe with *Hannibal*, he could not help frowning and gnaſhing his Teeth, while the Meſſengers delivered what they had in Charge. When they had done ſpeaking, the General ſternly replied, *This, however, is honeſtly done. Thoſe who have been crookedly and deceitfully endeavouring to draw me from Italy, by withholding Supplies, now ſpeak it out plainly, that they would have me come Home. Let not* Scipio, *however, boaſt that he has compelled me to return, I am not compelled by him, but by* Hanno *and his Faction, who finding no other Means to abuſe the* Barcine *Family, have not heſitated to deſtroy* Carthage, *that they might overwhelm us with her Ruins.* This Prophetic Obſervation was well juſtified on his Return; for having firſt eſſay'd in a Conference with *Scipio*, to have made an honourable Peace for his Country, he was compelled to venture a deciſive Engagement, in which he was defeated; whereupon he adviſed his Countrymen, ſince they were no longer able to maintain the War, to make Peace upon the beſt Terms they could get, which in Truth proved very indifferent. They were conſtrained 'To give 'up all Claim to *Spain*, and to the Iſlands in the '*Mediterranean*; to deliver up all their Ships of War, 'except Ten; to ſurrender their Elephants, and 'never tame any more; to make no more Wars out 'of *Africk*, nor in it, without Leave of the *Romans* 'firſt obtained; to yield up every thing which *Maſſi-*'*niſſa* demanded, by whoſe Aſſiſtance chiefly the *Ro-*'*mans* reduced them to this Diſtreſs; to pay an annual 'Tribute of Two hundred Talents for Fifty Years; 'and to deliver a hundred Hoſtages, ſuch as *Scipio* 'ſhould chuſe above the Age of Fourteen, and not 'above that of Thirty.' Theſe Articles were not only conſented to, but the Faction of *Hanno* praiſed the Moderation of the *Romans*; yet when the Money came to be rated upon the Senators, they could not forbear Weeping; at which Sight *Hannibal* burſt into Laughter. One of the adverſe Faction, telling him it little became him to laugh for Joy at the Miſery of his Country. 'You miſtake, Sir, ſaid '*Hannibal*, I neither Laugh from Joy, nor at my 'Country; but from Indignation at your ſcandalous 'Behaviour, who could deliver up your Ships and 'Elephants, and ſuffer your Hands to be bound be-'hind you without a Tear, but now a little Money, 'which chearfully advanced a while ago would have 'ſaved; all this comes by Neceſſity to be wrung out 'of your own Purſes, you are overwhelmed with 'Affliction.' Thus ended the ſecond *Punic* War, no leſs glorious than fatal to *Hannibal* and his Family, who while they fought with Succeſs againſt the Enemies of their Country Abroad, were overcome by the Arts of *falſe Patriots* at Home, and at laſt fell with the State, which they had ſo long ſupported, and which in all Probability would never have fallen, if ſhe had afforded reciprocal Support to them.

TIME, the great Diſcoverer of Secrets, gave the *Carthaginians* fully to underſtand how much more wiſe and honeſt the *Barcine* Patriots were, than thoſe of *Hanno*'s Faction. After the War was over, *Carthage* addicted herſelf more than ever to Trade, and the *Romans* taking Umbrage at this, encouraged *Maſſiniſſa* to harraſs and perplex them. The *Carthaginians* complaining, the Elder *Cato* was ſent as Commiſſioner to examine their Differences. He, ſtruck with the Wealth and Grandeur of *Carthage*, returned home full of Prejudice againſt her, and never after delivered his Opinion in the Senate, but with this Addition; *So think I, and that* Carthage *be deſtroy'd.* But *Scipio Naſica*, who was as wiſe, and perhaps a juſter Man, aſſumed a contrary manner of ſpeaking. *This*, ſaid he, *is my Opinion, and that* Carthage *be let alone.* At laſt the Inſults of *Maſſiniſſa* growing unbearable, a War broke out, in Conſequence of which the *Romans* a third Time attack'd *Carthage*, which City was reduced to offer a Chart blanche to her Rival, with this Reſerve, that the City ſhould be ſpared; which Condition the *Romans* violated without Ceremony, under this pitiful Diſtinction, That the *Inhabitants* were the *City*, and that ſparing them they ſpared it. As to the demoliſhing of the City, they performed it without Mercy, for this memorable Reaſon, that *Trade* begat *Riches*, *Riches* a turbulent *Spirit*, and therefore out of mere Humanity and Tenderneſs, they were pleaſed to make their ancient Allies *Tillers* of the *Ground*, *Hewers* of *Wood*, and *Drawers* of *Waters*.

R. FREEMAN.

HOME PORTS.

Portſmouth, March 21. Since my laſt ſailed the Infant Duke, Webb; and the Malton, Preſton, for Cadiz; the Bleſſing, Lee; and the Betty, Shepherd, for Lisbon. Juſt now came into the Harbour the Prince Fredrick, Whittwood, from Barbados. Wind S. W.

Deal, March 22. Wind S. W. The Ships remain as per laſt. Arrived the Thames, Capt. Marchant, from Smyrna, (a General Ship in the Turkey Company's Service) and the Benjamin, Walker, from Lisbon; with ſome other Ships, whoſe Names are as yet unknown.

LONDON.

The Providence, Capt. Harriſon, bound from Lynn to the Streights, is loſt on or near Guernſey.

And the Providence, Keith, Maſter, is loſt in her Voyage from London for Aberdeen.

The Katharine, Capt. Dewsbury, bound from Newcaſtle for Havre de Grace, was loſt in the late bad Weather near Cromer in Norfolk, and all the People be onging to her periſhed.

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The Asia, Capt. Fisher, and the Assiento, Capt. Bennet, having procured their Number of Negroes, on Account of the South Sea Company, sailed from Cabenda on the Coast of Africa, on the 16th of October for Buenos Ayres The London Merchant, Capt. Thomas; the Oxford, ——; the London, Capt. Pichet; the Sea Nymph, Capt. Webster; the Speaker, Capt. Flower; and a large French Ship, were, or had been at Cabenda on the 25th of October for Slaves; the Betty, Capt. Duncomb, and two Sail more, were at Melemba, and 5 Sail more at Loanga, all for Negroes, which had greatly advanced the Price.

We hear that the contested Election between —— Drury, Esq; and Phillip Bennett, Esq; comes on to be heard the 17th of next Month, in relation to Shaftsbury Election.

Yesterday Morning came on the Election for Lecturer of St. Dunstan's in the West, in the Choice of 24 Trustees appointed by Dr. White's Will, when the Election stood thus,

For Mr. Twells, 9
Mr. Terrick, 9

Whereupon the Declaration was adjourned for some Days.

A few Days since died the Rev. Mr. Stevens, Vicar of Grindon in Warwickshire, a Living of 150 l. per Annum, which is in the Gift of the Hon. Mr. Chetwynd, a Relation of the Right Hon. the Lord Viscount Chetwynd's.

The Right Hon. the House of Peers have adjourned to Monday next.

The Rev. Mr. Hoadley, Chancellor of Winchester, is collated by the Lord Bishop of that Diocese to the Rectory of Michelmersh in the County of Southampton, valued at 300 l. per Annum

The Rev. Mr. Preston, Fellow of New College in Oxford, was lately presented by the said College to the Rectory of Alton Barnes in the County of Wilts and Diocese of Salisbury, vacant by the Death of the Rev. Dr. Lamplugh.

This Day 30 Days Subsistance will be issued from the Pay Office at the Horse Guards to the Land Forces, from the 26th of this Instant, to the 24th of April next inclusive.

Next Monday six Months Off-Reckonings will be issued from the said Office to his Majesty's Land Forces, from the 25th of December 1736, to the 24th of June 1737.

And on Wednesday following six Months Clearings of the said Forces, will be paid at the said Office to the same Time.

Wednesday Night died at his House at Humerton near Hackney, Richard Howard, Esq; one of the Directors of the South Sea Company.

Yesterday Mr. Cooke, Son of ——— Cooke, Esq; Major of General Oglethorpe's Regiment of Foot, kiss'd his Majesty's Hand on his being appointed Ensign in Colonel Follet's Company in the second Regiment of Foot Guards, in the room of Ensign Lamb, deceased.

Next Week his Majesty's Ship the Royal Oak, a 3d Rate, is to be launch'd at Plymouth.

Yesterday the Lady of the Hon. Henry Pelham, Esq; lay very dangerously ill at his House at Whitehall.

Mr. George Connor is appointed Master of his Majesty's Ship the Somerset, commanded by Capt. Lestock.

Mr. John Griffen is appointed Master of his Majesty's Ship the Ipswich, commanded by Captain Hoke.

Casualties, Christnings, and Burials last Week.

Drowned 4, one buried at St. Gregory by St. Paul's, one at St. Mary at Lambeth, one at St. Paul at Shadwell, and one at St. Martin in the Fields. Excessive Drinking 1. Executed 1. Overlaid 2.

Christned	Males	169	Buried	Males	268
	Females	179		Females	272
	In all	348		In all	540

Increased in the Burials this Week 72.

Whereof have died,

Under 2 Years of Age	190	Forty and Fifty	42
Between 2 and 5	50	Fifty and Sixty	50
Five and Ten	23	Sixty and Seventy	33
Ten and Twenty	22	Seventy and Eighty	19
Twenty and Thirty	43	Eighty and Ninety	12
Thirty and Forty	54	Ninety and a Hundred	2

High Water this Day at London Bridge.	Morning	Evening
	01 55	02 18

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